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City and county announce dog fees amnesty

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – All city and county late fees and past-due dog license amounts will be waived during July and August. Owners will be able to license their dogs at 2008-09 rates during the two-month amnesty program.

Rabies vaccinations and dog licenses are required for all dogs four months and older in the City of Riverside. Dog licensing helps unite owners with lost pets and helps protect the public by ensuring dogs receive rabies vaccination.

"The City of Riverside supports responsible dog ownership so we are waiving late fees and past-due amounts to encourage residents to have their dogs licensed," said Mayor Ronald O. Loveridge. "Our goal is that all dogs to be registered, not only for public health and identification, but also because it is the law."

Proof of a current rabies vaccination, proof of sterilization (if applicable) and payment of the licensing fee are all required to purchase a license. Licensing is available at:

Riverside City Hall Public Works Department 3900 Main Street Riverside CA 92522 Weekdays, 7:30 am – 5:30 pm City/County Animal Shelter 5950 Wilderness Avenue Riverside CA 92504 Monday/Tuesday: 10:00 am-6:00 pm Wednesday: 10:00 am-7:00 pm Thursday/Friday: 10:00 am-6:00 pm Saturday: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

For more information on how to license a pet, call the City of Riverside Call Center at (951) 826-5311 or visit the City's Web site at www.riversideca.gov.